**Posting of Nurses in CGHS Dispensaries in Delhi/New Delhi**

2175. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether CGHS has posted nurses in each of the CGHS Dispensaries; in Delhi/New Delhi; whereas the necessity of nurses is only at such places where facility to admit indoor patients is available;

(b) the number of nurses posted in each of the CGHS Dispensary and duties being performed by them as well as the work-load of nurses there;

(c) whether the necessity of nurses in CGHS Dispensaries is still there inspite of the reduction of injections in the CGHS formulary to the maximum extent; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons that doctors cannot administer the injections to the patients who are not more than five to ten in a week's time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) In accordance with the staffing norms fixed by staff Inspection Unit, one staff Nurse has been posted in each of the allopathic dispensaries. The duties performed by Staff Nurses are indicated in the Statement (*See* below). Their services are also utilised for Immunization, Maternity and Child Health and Family Welfare Programme.

(c) Yes, Sir, in view of answer (a) and (b) above.

(d) Doctors cannot administer the injections as they are over worked with the patient care, demicillary visit and other professional and administrative duties. However, during Limited Emergency Services, doctors administer the injections

**Statement**

*Duties of Staff Nurse*

1. She will be responsible for the efficient functioning of the injection room.

2. She will ensure that syringes, needles etc. are sterilised and maintained properly in a septic condition ready for administration of injection. She will maintain a separate tray for Pencillin and injections containing Penicillin.

3. She will keep ready at all times a spare syrings and requisite injections to combat anaphylactic shock.

4. She will check the condition of ampoule, its contents, the date of expiry etc. before administering an injection.

5. She will administer all subsequent injections of Pencillin (single or in combination) while the test dose and the first dose of Penicillin will invariably be administered by a Medical Officer personally).

6. She will specifically enquire from the patients about any adverse reaction to an injection any time previously.

7. The staff nurse will not administer intravenous injections.

8. In the event of a reaction to an injection, she will immediately call the Medical Officer and render all possible help that may be necessary. She will make all entries in the drug reaction register.

9. She will maintain a record including summary in a register of the injectable received and administer by her. The register shall be checked by the Medical Officer periodically, at least once a week.

10. She will be in uniform when on duty.

11. She will maintain demand register as per instruction laid down.

12. She will maintain a register of all injections administered in the dispensary daily. The column shall be Date, SL. No., Name of injection. Separate register shall be maintained for new and old cases. The registeration clerk shall add the number of old cases in the daily attendance as shown in the OPD register for the purpose of statistics.

13. She will be responsible for proper functioning of Oxygen Cylinder.

14. She will keep upto date account of expenditure and balance of injections received from Store.

15. She will perform such other duties as may be assigned to her by the Directorate/Medical Officer Incharge.

16. They will be fully involved in Immunization and Family Welfare work.

**Availability of Surgical Instruments in CGHS Dispensaries in Delhi**

2176. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether surgical instruments are available in each and every CGHS Dispensaries in Delhi;

(b) If so, the amount spent by CGHS for supply of such instruments and cost of instruments available as on 31st December, 1988 in each of the Dispensaries (Dispensary-wise);

(c) whether it is a fact that inspite of availability of such instruments in the CGHS Dispensaries, the doctors refer minor cases of stitching etc., to nearest Hospitals and do not use those instruments available in Dispensaries; if so, the reasons thereof; and

(d) whether Government propose to get these instruments either shifted to Hospitals or to make best use of such instruments available in each of the Dispensaries, if so, in what manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (d) Surgical instruments required for minor Surgery and dressing are by and large available in CGHS Dispensaries. These instruments are supplied at the time of opening of a dispensary and subsequently against specific demand. Minor stiching is being done in suitable cases. The remaining cases are referred to the Hospitals in the best interest of the patients.

**Supply of Kerosene Stoves, Electric Heaters/Sterilisers etc. to CGHS Dispensaries**

2177. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CGHS supplies Kerosene Stoves, Electric Heaters and Electric Sterilisers to each of the CGHS Dispensaries in Delhi, if so, the amount being spent annually on this account;

(b) whether inspite of such a heavy expenditure, the CGHS has supplied LPG CANTEEN BURNERS (Big-size) instead of supplying one LPG Stove of single small size burner to various CGHS Dispensaries if so, the location of Dispensaries where such burners (big-size) have been supplied and date of supply in each case;

(c) whether Government are aware that such burners cannot be used for